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Incident Response Groupe

Groupe d'intervenrtion en cas d'incident

Minutes

A meeting of the Incident Response Group was held in Room 335-A, West Block, on Monday, February 21, 2022, at 3:30 p.m.

Procès-verbal

Une réunion du Groupe d'intervention en cas d'incident a eu lieu dans la pièce 335-A, édifice de l'Ouest, le lundi 21 février 2022 à 15h30.

C O N F I D E N C E O F T H E Q U E S , S P R I V Y C O U N C I L	<u>Present</u>	<u>Étaient présents</u>	D O C U M E N T C O N F I D E N T I E L D U C O N S E I L P R I V É D E L A R E I N E
	The Prime Minister *(Mr. Trudeau), in the Chair, The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance *(Ms. Freeland), The Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities *(Mr. LeBlanc), The Minister of Foreign Affairs *(Ms. Joly), The President of the Queen’s Privy Council for Canada and Minister of Emergency Preparedness *(Mr. Blair), The Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada *(Mr. Lametti), The Minister of National Defence *(Ms. Anand), The Minister of Public Safety *(Mr. Mendicino), The Minister of Transport *(Mr. Alghabra). *Secure device	Le Premier ministre *(M. Trudeau), Président, La vice-première ministre et ministre des Finances *(Mme Freeland), Le ministre des Affaires Intergouvernementales, de l’Infrastructure et des Collectivités *(M. LeBlanc), La ministre des Affaires étrangères *(Mme Joly), Le président du Conseil privé de la Reine pour le Canada et ministre de la Protection civile *(M. Blair), Le ministre de la Justice et procureur général du Canada *(M. Lametti), La ministre de la Défense nationale *(Mme Anand), Le ministre de la Sécurité publique *(M. Mendicino), Le ministre des Transports *(M. Alghabra). *Appareil sécur	
	<u>Also present</u>	<u>Étaient aussi présents</u>	
	Mr. J. Innes (Office of the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities), Ms. L. Church (Office of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance), Mr. A. Steinhouse (Office of the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada), Mr. M. Maka (Office of the Minister of Transport), Mr. M. Jones (Office of the Minister of Public Safety), Ms. Z. Astravas (Office of the President of the Queen’s Privy Council for Canada and Minister of Emergency Preparedness), Mr. M. Power Mr. M. Menouar (Office of the Minister of National Defence), Mr. T. Gallivan (Canada Revenue Agency), Mr. F. Daigle (Justice Canada), Mr. M. Keenan (Transport Canada),	Mr. J. Innes (Cabinet du ministre des Affaires Intergouvernementales, de l’Infrastructure et des Collectivités), Mme L. Church (Cabinet de la vice-première ministre et ministre des Finances), M. A. Steinhouse (Cabinet du ministre de la Justice et procureur général du Canada), M. M. Maka (Cabinet du ministre des Transports), M. M. Jones (Cabinet du ministre de la Sécurité publique), Mme Z. Astravas (Cabinet du président du Conseil privé de la Reine pour le Canada et ministre de la Protection civile), M. M. Power M. M. Menouar (Cabinet de la ministre de la défense nationale), M. T. Gallivan (Agence du revenu du Canada), M. F. Daigle (Justice Canada), M. M. Keenan (Transports Canada),	

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Also present (Cont'd)

Mr. R. Stewart
(Public Safety Canada),
Mr. B. Matthews
(National Defence),
Ms. B. Lucki
(Royal Canadian Mounted Police),
Mr. D. Vigneault
(Canadian Security Intelligence Service),
Ms. K. Telford
Mr. B. Clow
Mr. J. Broadhurst
Mr. J. Brodhead
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Ms. L. Baird
Mr. D. Costello
Mr. J. Waring
Mr. M. MacDonald
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(Ms. J. Charette),

The Deputy Clerk and Associate Secretary
to the Cabinet
(Ms. N. Drouin),

National Security and Intelligence Advisor
to the Prime Minister
(Ms. J. Thomas).

Secretary

Mr. S. Tupper
(Privy Council Office).

Recording Secretary

Ms. A. Davis
(Privy Council Office).

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Conseillère à la sécurité nationale et au
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Le 21 février 2022
15h30 – 16h30

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| 2. Progress on Actions Following Implementation of <i>Emergencies Act</i> | 2. Progrès sur les actions suite à la mise en œuvre de la <i>Loi sur les mesures d'urgence</i> |
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Opening Remarks

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Operational and Threat Update

The Commissioner of the RCMP provided a situational update on Ottawa and elsewhere in Canada.

With respect to the situation in Ottawa, the majority of sites have been cleared, with Rideau St. being open at Sussex Dr., the Byward Market being re-opened at noon and the O-Train service having resumed. Some downtown off-ramps of Highway 417 remain closed. Approximately 150 to 200 protesters gathered at night on February 20 in front of the War Museum, without incident, and a demonstration was starting on February 21 at the same location. The logistics camp on Coventry road was cleared at night on February 20 and remains secured by police. Two arrests were made, and 25 vehicles were towed at that location. The RCMP Commissioner reported that she is not aware of any arrests that have been made in Ottawa using the *Emergencies Act* authorities and reported that most charges laid were criminal charges under the *Criminal Code* including offences such as mischief and obstructing justice. Police posture on the ground will be reduced to 400 resources throughout the week with a possibility of another 200 over the weekend. Three response teams will remain on standby.

Protesters continue to gather outside of Ottawa in areas such as Embrun and Arnprior and are now gathering in Vankleek Hill outside of the courthouse with an additional convoy possibly headed to that location. Police continue to monitor these areas to ensure protests remain lawful.

On economic measures, there remain 57 entities sanctioned, and 241 accounts have been or are about to be frozen (22 proactively). The RCMP Commissioner confirmed that they have been receiving a number of inquiries on whether law enforcement has been providing to financial institutions information on those who donated to the protests, and the RCMP confirmed that they have not provided such information, only disclosing information in the case of individuals who were actively participating in the unlawful protest. A public statement has been issued to that effect.

On activity across Canada, the RCMP Commissioner confirmed that the convoy travelling from Fort McMurray to Ottawa last weekend was indeed intercepted by the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) who advised participants not to go to Ottawa but did not prevent them from continuing their trip. Some vehicles turned away and others made it as far as Arnprior where at least one bus remains with 20 individuals, including children. A protest at the National Assembly in Quebec City was cleared the afternoon of February 20 with eight people arrested and 167 tickets issued. Local police did not use *Emergencies Act* authorities and relied on municipal bylaws and permits.

The Commissioner confirmed that so far there are no indications of law enforcement having used *Emergencies Act* authorities outside of Ottawa, although there are reports that it has been effective as and communication tool and deterrent in British Columbia, Nova Scotia and Manitoba.

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Finally, the Commissioner reported no Port of Entry (POE) closures across the country, noting that an event close to the Pacific Highway POE continued yesterday and today (February 20 and 21) but there are no reported disruptions. A rally opposing the freedom convoy is expected on February 21 in Toronto.

Progress on Actions Following Implementation of *Emergencies Act*

The Minister of Transport reported that all NOTAMs have expired or are expiring the evening of February 21, with the exception of the one over Parliament Hill that will expire by the end of February. The Minister indicated that he was continuing his conversations with airports and other critical infrastructure stakeholders.

The Minister of National Defence reported that the Canadian Armed Forces remains ready to assist if and as needed and noted that indirect support was provided in the form of food rations for police officers.

The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance reported on a conversation she had with Chief Executive Officers at the major banks. Banks were pleased that the Government was working on a plan that would see individuals with their accounts frozen report to police, prior to the bank to have their accounts unfrozen. s.39

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Thresholds for Termination of the *Emergencies Act*

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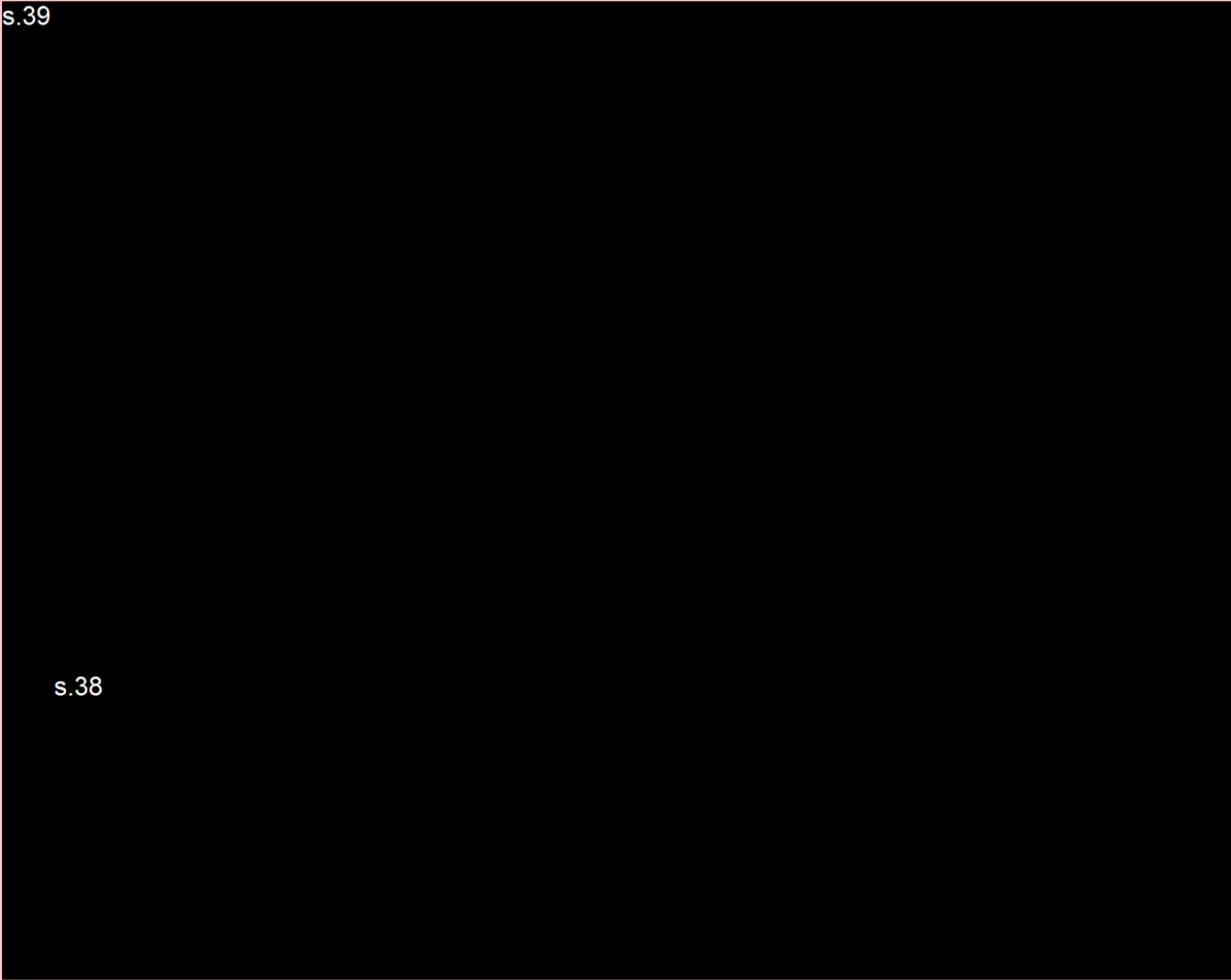
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Concrete Actions

Category	OPI	Actions	New Data	Outcome Summary
Enforcement with New Authorities EMERGENCY MEASURES	RCMP	Will take enforcement action on <u>new</u> authorities when preferable to existing options.	The RCMP continues to manage checkpoints to limit unlawful access to the Pacific Highway POE (BC).	Ottawa Police report approximately 191 <u>arrests</u> were made in Ottawa since operations began on Feb 18, 2022 and 12pm Feb 21 2022.
				No specific arrests using new authorities. However, the entire Ottawa event is deemed an illegal act under the EA.
				0 <u>known</u> arrests using new authorities
		Solicit or Client Priv.		Media reporting approximately 191 arrests in Ottawa for <i>Criminal Code</i> offenses related to the unlawful protest to date. Law enforcement in Ottawa, have been able to secure perimeters successfully without a need to employ any designations through the EA.
				Solicitor Client Priv.
		Guidance to inform front line staff on the roll out and operationalization of select new tools on an urgent basis.		Distributed Feb 17, 2022 Placemat completed and shared with frontline officers in Ontario and all RCMP regions for fan out. Provides a clear guide in both official languages
	OPP / OPS / POIs	Will take enforcement action on <u>new</u> authorities when preferable to existing options.	The Interim OPS Chief stated that over 191 protesters have been	7 Enforcement Actions on travel to prohibited assemblies (Windsor).

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			arrested, of those, 103 were charged with a total of 389 Criminal Code offences	0 <u>known</u> arrests using new authorities
			The Ottawa Police Service reported the following enforcement actions since operations began to clear the illegal blockade on 18 January 2022 and 9am Feb 21: • 79 (+22) vehicles towed • 22 <u>license plates</u> seized • 11 <u>commercial vehicle</u> operator registrations suspended • (It is unknown if EA authorities were used). 2 towing companies in Ottawa were compelled to provide service by law enforcement under EA authorities (20 February)	The Interim OPS Chief stated that over 191 protesters have been arrested, of those, 103 were charged with a total of 389 Criminal Code offences The Ottawa Police Service reported the following enforcement actions since operations began to clear the illegal blockade on 18 January 2022: • 79 vehicles towed • 22 <u>license plates</u> seized • 11 <u>commercial vehicle</u> operator registrations suspended • (It is unknown if EA authorities were used). 2 towing companies in Ottawa were compelled to provide service by law enforcement under EA authorities (20 February) February 20, 2022 The OPP intercepted and diverted a convoy (3 transport trucks and +/- 10 vehicles) near Pidgeon River POE (peaceful protests ensued).

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	CBSA	- Denial of entry at Ports of Entry to foreign nationals seeking to enter Canada to participate in a prohibited public assembly (balance of probabilities threshold). - Operational bulletin (OB) completed to provide guidance to staff on implementation of enforcement powers	3 Enhanced Vigilance Exams conducted on three Canadian Citizens in the same vehicle at Douglas BC POE on Feb 20 following their refusal of entry by USCBP. Subjects were without identification. Subjects made statements to CBSA officers which led them to believe they had been or would be participating in protests. Citizenship was confirmed and a vehicle search was non-resultant; subjects were released.	5 <u>known</u> foreign nationals denied entry under Emergency Act provisions: 2 at Prescott POE, ON (Feb 19) 3 at Douglas POE, BC (Feb 20) Operational Blitz at POE Lacolle QC (Feb 18): Border staff increased referrals of US travelers; conducted staff conducted 13 Enhanced Vigilance Exams; <u>No</u> travelers were denied entry due to EA requirements. Operational bulletin Published Feb 15, 2022
		- Inland enforcement actions against foreign nationals to remove offenders. - Operational bulletin (OB) to provide guidance to staff on implementation of new inland enforcement measures on removing offenders.		0 known inland enforcement actions on foreign nationals Published Feb 15, 2022
		CBSA liaison officers informing international community of new approach to promote awareness and engagement.		Completed Feb XX, 2022
		Trade corridors leading to Ports of Entry have been hardened including police presence as required, with actions at the Ambassador Bridge as a priority.		Completed Feb 17, 2022
		Program Delivery Instructions (PDIs) to provide guidance to staff that will add new offences (and exemptions) when exercising existing authorities related to the immigration inadmissibility determination process.		Completed Feb 18, 2022
	IRCC	Immigration disincentives related to the new offences to be included in public communications and that IRCC will leverage existing authorities and information sharing processes with law enforcement and national security partners which could have consequences for future travel.		Completed Feb 18, 2022

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Secondary Enforcement Actions	PSPC	Identify on a case-by-case, exceptional, and individual basis, foreign nationals whose admission to Canada would be contrary to the national interest, and use existing Ministerial authority under Negative Discretion to deny entry to Canada (pre-arrival).		Implemented & Ongoing
		Seizure and forfeiture of property pursuant to the regulations (e.g. trucks) will be initiated upon direction from law enforcement. Parking lots at 1500 Bronson and Charles Tupper building were plowed and ready for use if required by city, however currently not being used. PSPC is on standby.	Parking lots at 1500 Bronson and Charles Tupper building were plowed and ready for use if required by city, however currently not being used. PSPC is on standby.	February 17, 2022 Space has been made available for towed vehicles and team is on standby to hold vehicles if they are officially seized.
		- Barriers (fencing) around Parliament Hill, Senate buildings and Supreme Court completed as per request from Parliamentary Protective Service and Chief Justice. Additional fencing and barriers installed as requested by Law Enforcement. - Additional barriers (jersey barriers) installed at Rideau and Wellington; Sussex and George; Colonel by and Day; Rideau and William. - As police operations continue to advance, fencing is being adjusted or moved as required. - Provide support to clean-up efforts, which are being undertaken in collaboration with partners.	Fencing surrounding Parliament Hill being removed at request of Parliamentary Protective Service Flame in front of Parliament Hill has been re-ignited at the request of Parliamentary Protective Service Clean-up of National War Memorial completed	Completed Feb 17, 2022: Barriers and fencing Parliament Hill, Senate buildings and Supreme Court Feb 19, 2022 Installed 10,000 linear feet of fencing and 50 jersey barriers at additional locations in support of law enforcement operations
	RCMP	The A RCMP-led coordination and centralized reporting process is in place to communicate information on designated individuals to financial institutions who have been found to be in contravention of the Order.		Completed Feb 16, 2022
		Solicitor Client Priv.	No new disclosures of information sent to financial institutions.	57 Entities in total reported to financial institutions including: 18 Individuals 39 Vehicles <u>\$3,018,000</u> total in Crypto currency and 253 addresses reported including:

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			218 total financial products have been frozen or are about to be including: 208 financial products (49 new since Feb 20) 10 financial products frozen proactively	\$2.4M in 24 Crypto accounts \$618K in 103 bitcoin addresses (\$6k CAD in each) 150 bitcoin addresses of an unknown value. 218 financial products have been frozen or are about to be including: 208 financial products 10 financial products proactively frozen
			Approximately \$7M (+\$3.6M) total reported frozen, however many reports from financial institutions lack dollar values. *Refer to DoF reporting for information on frozen accounts	Approximately \$7M total reported frozen, however many reports from financial institutions lack dollar values. 1 Proactive Disclosure by a Financial Institution Note: the specific number of accounts held by an individual/entity, which are frozen, are not always identified by FIs. Some FIs only disclose that action has been taken on accounts held by an individual/entity.
		The RCMP has engaged s.39 major banks, insurance agents, credit unions, s.39 and crypto currency exchanges to explain the intended	*Data not for public release	*Data not for public release
				Occurred Feb 15, 2022

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		operational approach to the new measures and how communications will take place.		
	FINTRAC	- Implementing new authorities related to crowdfunding platforms and payment to service providers. - Pre-registry process launched, including a notice to crowdfunding platforms and payment service providers posted on FINTRAC website on how to register and submit suspicious transaction reports. (https://www.fintrac-canafe.gc.ca/intro-eng) - As entities self identify to register, FINTRAC will determine whether they meet the criteria for registration based on the regulations. - Receipt of transmission of information from reporting entities as per the GIC Order, including gathering the necessary information to register entities and provide them access to existing transaction reporting channels as per the Regulations. - Guidance sent to existing and new reporting entities upon publication of the Regulations.	One new inquiry on the impact of the EA proclamation	Completed Feb 15, 2022 17 pre-registration forms received 1 Money Service Business interested in adding provision of payment services to existing registration. 24 inquiries on impact of proclamation (most from small and medium banks) 0 entities registered/0 determined valid registrants
		Compliance and intelligence resources have been dedicated to this task and are prepared to triage every suspicious transaction report submitted and disclose to law enforcement and national security when thresholds are met.		Completed (15 feb); No major reallocation of Intel units required to date.
	FINANCE	Engage with financial institutions subject to the <i>Emergency Economic Measures</i> to raise awareness, communicate obligations and address questions.	To date, Financial Services providers have frozen approximately 200* financial products representing approximately \$7,488,000 (Reported February 21). This is an increase in roughly 50 products and \$3,799,217 since last reported on Feb 19.	To date, Financial Services Providers have frozen at least: - Approximately 200* financial products frozen (mix of retail and corporate) \$7,488,000 approximately 0 known insurance policies suspended *Note: Product numbers derived from RCMP reporting.

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		Create a crowd-funding host registry.		Engagement ongoing with large banks medium-sized banks, provincial credit unions companies, property, casualty insurance companies.
		Support the Public Safety portfolio on the deliberation of any passport-related sanctions as needed for national security reasons, or to process cases where <i>Criminal Code</i> convictions or other actions or offenses are flagged and trigger passport revocation action.	*Note: Product numbers derived from RCMP reporting.	
Additional Measures	IRCC	Continue to advance the Strategic Enforcement Strategy working with other federal departments, provinces, and local authorities.		Ongoing
				Complete
				Law enforcement agencies now leverage suite of authorities: EA/PT laws etc. PS/RCMP with support of PSPC can now execute tow strategy under authorities in place
	TC	Continue to advance the “Tow Truck Strategy” taking into account EA authorities for PS and RCMP, as well as options for procurement of services and/or trucks based on tactical requirements.		Complete
		Enhanced inspector activity with industry to ensure operators have necessary security plans and procedures in place and awareness of Emergency Act authorities.		Tow truck inventory available for assistance in Ottawa
				TC-RCMP Meeting EA Regs related to towing with Canadian Trucking Alliance, CAA, Private Motor Truck Council, Ontario Recovery Group, Provincial Towing Association of Ontario
				Ongoing
				TDG inspector consultative support available.

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				Facilitation/liaison role resulted in a ETR Railway (Windsor) voluntarily complying with OPP requests to temporarily cease railway operations in order to protect police and public safety near Huron Church Rd.
		Engage existing stakeholder tables in each mode of transport and FPTs on scope and implications of the order.		Full round of engagement took place week of Feb 14 Feb 19, 2022 Rail Security Working Group Meeting
			1 active NOTAMs currently in effect: Ottawa/Gatineau ON/QC NOTAMS have been cancelled for Surrey, BC; North Portal and Northgate, SK; Toronto, ON; and Quebec City QC.	29 NOTAM violations currently being investigated (# not for public release). Total of 12 NOTAMs have been used nationally since January 20, 2022: Fredericton, New Brunswick - Fredericton, New Brunswick - Quebec City, Quebec - Ottawa/ Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec - Toronto, Ontario - Windsor, Ontario - Winnipeg, Manitoba - Emerson Manitoba - Milk River, Alberta - Coutts, Alberta - North Portal, Saskatchewan - Northgate, Saskatchewan - Surrey, British Columbia
	PS	Engagement conducted with public and private sector stakeholders from to help identify and address questions and concerns relating to the <i>Emergencies Act</i>.		Ongoing Broad-based consultations completed with representatives from PTs and stakeholders

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Category	OPI	Actions	New Data	Outcome Summary
				from multiple critical infrastructure sectors.
				Ongoing
				February 18-19 2022, Buildings remain in restricted access mode in the core of the NCR.
	PSPC	- Continue to provide support to law enforcement through National Capital Region Command Centre as requested. - Buildings remain in restricted access mode in the core of the NCR. - Additional interpretation services provided to support Parliamentary debates.	Hold and Secure order lifted for Parliamentary Precinct and federal building in secure perimeter; buildings back on “restricted access-weekend mode.”	February 19, 2022 Parliamentary Precinct in Hold and Secure Mode; subsequently lifted and moved to “restricted access-weekend mode.”
				February 19-20, 2022 Interpretation services provided to support Parliamentary debates

Communications

Product	OPI	Messages
Key Messages for Ministers	PCO	Key Messages for Ministers (February 21, 2022): For three weeks, blockades illegally disrupted the life of Canadians, harming our economy, and endangering public safety.

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	• We want to thank police officers from all law enforcement agencies who joined the operations and successfully worked on resolving situations across the country and keeping communities safe. • We invoked the Emergencies Act to supplement Provincial and Territorial authorities to address the blockades and occupation to keep Canadians safe, protect people's jobs, and restore confidence in our institutions. • The Act has strengthened and supported the work by the police. Law enforcement agencies relied on it to set up a secured area in downtown Ottawa, to prevent foreign money from funding illegal blockades, and to make sure our borders remain open. • The Emergencies Act is not something that we undertake lightly and we do not want to use it for a single moment longer than necessary. • We are pleased with the progress that has been made and we are committed to ending this emergency at the earliest opportunity. • Over the past days, we have seen deliberate and professional enforcement action here in Ottawa. There have now been close to 200 arrests, 389 criminal charges laid and a total of 76 vehicles towed. The job is not done yet and work is expected to continue to bring an end to illegal blockades and occupations. • We have also seen progress in implementing finance-related measures under the Emergency Economic Measures Order. Under the powers of the Act, financial Services providers have frozen at least 76 accounts containing approximately \$3.2 million. Additionally, FINTRAC's pre-registration process is ongoing as it responds to several dozen inquiries received from small and medium-sized banks on the impact of the Emergencies Act orders. • We are calling on everyone to not jeopardize public peace or endanger yourselves or others by participating in purposefully illegal activities. There will be consequences for all criminal behavior related to the ongoing situations in Ottawa and across the country. • As the situation is still fragile, we have to remain vigilant and continue to keep each other safe. More than ever, now is the time to work together.
RCMP Background – Law Enforcement Actions under the Economic Emergency Measure Order	Law Enforcement Actions under the Economic Emergency Measure Order (Emergencies Act) February 21, 2022 • Over the last three weeks, police services across the country have been responding to unprecedented and unlawful demonstrations, protests, occupations, and acts of civil disobedience. Federal and provincial legislation provides significant authorities and powers to police services to maintain the rule of law, however, the illegal blockades and unlawful protests in Ottawa and across the country have presented unique challenges which have compelled a unique response. • The RCMP echoes policing partners in supporting the fundamental objectives of the invocation of the <i>Emergencies Act</i>, <i>Emergency Measures Regulations</i> and <i>Emergency Economic Measures Order</i>, while still supporting the fundamental rights and freedoms guaranteed to all Canadians. • As the RCMP and law enforcement partners have worked through the operation in Ottawa, we have seen the benefits of the <i>Emergencies Act</i>. Provisions of the Act have granted us the authorities necessary to maintain the perimeter, restrict travel and ensure that we can continue to stop financial support and other assistance for this unlawful protest.

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	• Outside of Ottawa, the most immediate impact of the <i>Emergencies Act</i> has been on public messaging and communication. We believe that the <i>Emergencies Act</i> has been a deterrent for at least some protest groups in how they conduct themselves. The <i>Act</i> has been an additional tool for our Public Liaison Officers who are engaging with groups to seek to minimize disruptions and ensure that protests remain lawful. • The <i>Emergencies Act</i> has also allowed law enforcement and monitoring agencies to work more closely with Canadian financial institutions; enhancing the effectiveness of law enforcement conducting investigations. While it remains the responsibility of the financial institutions to make the decision of freezing accounts, the RCMP is diligently working with our law enforcement and federal partners to disclose relevant information of individuals and companies suspected of involvement in illegal acts. • So far, this effort has culminated in the freezing of 208 financial products; the disclosure of 57 entities; the addresses of 253 Bitcoin shared with virtual currency exchangers; and, the proactive freezing of the account of a payment processor for a value of \$3.8M by a financial institution. (*Comment: The numbers included here reflect release timing and have since been updated by RCMP as listed above in the tracker): • We continue to work at collecting relevant information on persons, vehicles and companies, and remain in daily communication with the financial institutions to assist them. • The RCMP is proud of the professional and collaborative response of Canadian police agencies, including the thousands of RCMP employees – from those on the front lines to those supporting behind the scenes – their collective efforts are working to bring a successful resolution to this unprecedented challenge.
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<i>Emergencies Act Specific Items</i>				
Parliamentary Process	PCO-LHP (Lead) PCO-IGA DOJ	Ongoing	- Once committee is set up, new orders will be reviewed by the committee - The Motion has been tabled and includes the Explanatory Note and Consultation Report and also the Emergency Measures Regulations and the Emergency Economic Measures Order - Invitations starting to be made for committee appearances (Finance, Security, Justice committees). There will likely be a joint committee of Parliament too.	Section 58 explanation - FINAL Section 58 explanation - FINAL Motion for Confirmation of a D Lettres aux premiers ministres FR.pdf Letters to Premiers EN.pdf Gazette.pdf Consultations under the Emergenc Consultations en vertu de la Loi sur le
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When to Lift the Emergencies Act	PCO (Lead)	Ongoing	PCO to work with departments to develop concrete criteria that could be used to objectively assist the Government in determining the right balance and appropriate time to lift the Emergencies Act order. Criteria would be provided to the Prime Minister and Ministers to inform decision making.	
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Communications specific to the <i>Emergencies Act</i>	PCO-Comms (Lead) DOJ PS	Ongoing	- Support to Ministerial daily media availabilities - Shared messages for Ministers, senior officials - Publication of EA documents on Canada.ca - Explain why the <i>Emergencies Act</i> had to be invoked nationally, as opposed to in specific jurisdictions	The tabled documents on the Emergencies Act have now been posted and are available at the following link: https://www.canada.ca/en/services/policing/emergencies/public-order.html https://www.canada.ca/fr/services/police/urgences/declare-etat.html
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Protocols for Unfreezing Assets	RCMP (Lead) DOJ	Ongoing	- The RCMP committed to advise the table once this could be communicated to banks or publicly. - Considerations potentially requiring individuals to first go to police for a certificate, similar to what is done in the case of impounded vehicles, and then to present that certificate to the bank to have their assets unfrozen.	

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			• s.33 • TC to inform FPT table of strategy on 02/15/2022 • After coming into force TC will go out to tow truck working group to inform them of the new measures coming into force and encourage them to utilize them in their operation planning • Sufficient tow truck resources are in place in Ottawa • <i>Emergencies Act</i> powers appear to have incentivized tow truck companies to comply, but the power to compel companies has been used twice to compel two tow truck companies who refused to assist	
Immigration Ban	CBSA (Lead) IRCC GAC	CBSA operational directives to go out after Declaration is signed.	• s.38 • CBSA is drafting operational directives/ bulletins, guidance to POE and inland to go out ○ Engaging with partners and union to ensure good understanding ○ Work with airlines to no-board people.	
Enforcement Strategy	RCMP (Lead) DOJ	Ongoing	• Identify tools to ensure that law enforcement takes appropriate advantage of the existing and additional authorities provided to them and that they act to maintain order and enforce the law.	
Support for Ottawa Businesses	FedDev (Lead) FIN ISED		• Options to provide support to Ottawa businesses in the downtown core directly impacted by the illegal blockades. • FedDev Ontario working on proposal and options for delivery. • Feb 19 announcement of an investment of up to \$20 million to provide non-repayable contributions to Ottawa businesses who have suffered losses due to the illegal blockades and occupations	s.39
Daily Coordination and Information Sharing	PCO-S&I (Lead) RCMP	Daily	• Organize daily DMOC meetings and distribute sit-reps	
FPT Engagement	PCO-IGA (Lead)	Ongoing	• PT consultations at First Ministers' Meeting, February 14, followed by bilateral engagement at the ministerial level • Prime Minister wrote to premiers on February 15 • FPT DM IGA call on February 15 • Consultations report tabled in the House of Commons February 16	

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			- Public Safety FPT call with Justice, Solicitor General, Transport, and IGA officials on February 16 - FPT DM IGA call on February 17 - Worked to promote Provincial and Territorial implementation of more significant enforcement strategies, like approach taken by Ontario	
Exercise any available powers under the <i>Not-for-Profit Act</i> to void the convoy being registered under the Act	ISED (Lead)			
Maximize penalties including revocation of licenses, loss of operating certificates and fines for those using private or commercial vehicles in an illegal blockade.	TC (Lead)			
Harden Ports of Entry and Trade Corridors with fencing, barricades, controlled access points and additional personnel (law enforcement or s.38)	CBSA (Lead) RCMP s.38			
Passports	IRCC (Lead) PS		- Minister of IRCC with authority to refuse to issue, cancel, or revoke passports in cases of passport fraud, passport-related criminality, where someone is charged with an indictable offence, when someone is subject to a term of imprisonment in Canada, or where someone has judicially-imposed restrictions on their travel. - Minister of Public Safety authorities to decide that a passport is not to be issued or is to be revoked if they have reasonable grounds to believe that the decision is necessary to prevent the commission of a terrorism offence, as defined in section 2 of the Criminal Code, or for the national security of Canada or a foreign country or state.	
Notice to Airmen (NOTAM)	TC (Lead)	Ongoing	NOTAMs in place for Queen's Park (Toronto) and Quebec City but lifted for North Portal SK	

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